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For: A Method for Detecting Bacterial Exacerbations of Chronic Lung Disease

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Pursuant to the Office Action dated August 21, 2003, Applicants respond as follows.

Amendments to the claims are presented on page 2 of this response.

Remarks are presented on page 5 of this response.